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DEFENDANT GIVEN 20 YEARS FOR EVANSVILLE DRUG CONSPIRACY AND ILLEGAL USE OF GUN

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PRESS RELEASE

INDIANAPOLIS - Joseph H. Hogsett, United States Attorney, announced today that TERRELL WILLIAMS, was sentenced to 20 years in prison by U.S. District Chief Judge Richard L. Young following his guilty plea to conspiracy to distribute crack cocaine and use of a firearm in connection with his drug distribution activities.

WILLIAMS, 28, of Indianapolis, came to Evansville in the summer of 2009, and began distributing crack cocaine. WILLIAMS obtained crack cocaine from sources in Indianapolis, then distributed quantities of the drug to a number of other distributors in Evansville. On November 16, 2009, Williams became the target of a local group who attempted to rob him outside a residence at 614 Washington Avenue. During the attempted robbery, Williams fired shots from a handgun he was carrying, one of which struck one of the would-be assailants, Roosevelt Morris. Morris was transported by ambulance from the scene, but was pronounced dead at Deaconess Hospital, the victim of a single gunshot wound to the heart.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Matthew P. Brookman, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge Young also imposed an additional period of 8 years supervised release upon WILLIAMS following his release from prison. The case was the result of an investigation by the Evansville Police Department, the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives.

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